

Department of Computing

Course 112 - Hardware

Tutorial 1

This tutorial is not assessed.

LAST NAME _____ INITIALS _____ GROUP _____

1. On my last visit to the National Film theatre I noticed that my ticket had the following instruction printed on it:

" Enter through door 1 and door 3 "

As I was unable to carry out this instruction I spent the evening in the lobby and missed the film. However, it didn't matter since it was a Woody Allen production.

What should the instruction have said?

2. De Morgan's Theorem for three variables states: $(A+B+C)' = A' \cdot B' \cdot C'$

Prove the theorem by constructing a truth table for each term.

A B C	A + B + C	(A + B + C)'	A'	B'	C'	A'•B'•C'
0 0 0						
0 0 1						
0 1 0						
0 1 1						
1 0 0						
1 0 1						
1 1 0						
1 1 1						

3. Given that you know that variables A and B can only take the values 0 and 1, write implementation using normal arithmetic for the boolean expressions:

$A \cdot B'$

$A + B$

$A' + B'$

A eor B

where eor means exclusive or and is defined by the following truth table

eor	0	1
0	0	1
1	1	0

4. The a la carte menu in a well known restaurant offers the following choices for desert:

Coffee with either biscuits and either cheese or ice cream or fresh fruit or apple pie

Clarify the meaning by formalising the statement into a proposition. Simplify it and put it back into words. (Your neighbour may not agree with your interpretation)

Optional: Can you generalise your proof of de Morgan's theorem in Problem 2 to any number of variables?